

WELCOME TO THE FIRST MEETING OF THE  
**GARDEN GROVE COALITION TO END HOMELESSNESS**

June 10, 2021 @ 4:00pm

Meeting Agenda

1. Opening Remarks from Mayor Steve Jones
2. Overview of the draft Comprehensive Strategic Plan to Address Homelessness (CSPAH)
3. Summary of accomplishments during Fiscal Year 2020-2021
4. Highlight of priority goals and objectives for Fiscal Year 2021-2022
5. Q&A – Live and as received via the 2021 Community Survey
6. Closing remarks from Assistant City Manager, Lisa Kim
7. Adjournment to the next GGCEH Meeting in September 2021

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**Opening  
Remarks**

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**Garden Grove  
Mayor**

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**Steve Jones**



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**DRAFT**  
**COMPREHENSIVE  
STRATEGIC PLAN  
TO ADDRESS  
HOMELESSNESS**

**GARDEN GROVE'S  
FIVE-YEAR  
ROADMAP**

**Prepared by**

City of Garden Grove  
Community and Economic  
Development Department



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January 2021



The CSPAH is a five-year roadmap to addressing homelessness in Garden Grove. The main components of the CSPAH are:

**1. Overview of homelessness in Garden Grove**

- Located in the Central Service Planning Area (SPA)
- 2019 Point-In-Time (PIT) Count identified 225 individuals experiencing homelessness

**2. Overview of funding utilized to address homelessness**

- Over \$21M in Federal and State Grants allocated to provide: Rental Assistance, Street Outreach, Emergency Shelter, Business Assistance, Workforce Development, Mental Health Services, Rehab/Construction of Affordable/Supportive Housing.

**3. Highlight of accomplishments achieved during FY 2020-21**

- Assisted a total of over 8,000 individuals with services and/or resources

**4. Overview of priority goals and strategic actions for FY 2021-22 and beyond**

Highlight of accomplishments achieved by the City and its subrecipients during FY 2020-21:

- **Food Box and Hot Meal Programs** - 3,200 people assisted
- **Special Resource Team (SRT)** - 4,000 contacts, 655 referrals
- **HEART and ESG** - Assisted over 700 homeless or at-risk individuals with rental assistance, emergency shelter, and housing navigation services
- **JOBS 1<sup>st</sup>** - Assisted 62 Garden Grove businesses with \$761k to create or retain 177 jobs (Approx. \$4,300/job)
- **WARP** - Enrolled 17 participants to receive employment services and (in some cases) paid internships
- **Home Repair Program** - Completed 13 owner-occupied rehabilitation projects (ramping up to 37 next FY)
- **Housing Choice Vouchers** - The GGHA annually administers approx. 2,300 housing vouchers for households below 50% AMI
- **Fair Housing Services** - 7,000 individuals assisted
- **Community Engagement** - Hosted 4 webinars (SBDC and WARP), Co-Hosted 5 workshops (United Way and FHF), Recorded 5 informational videos (Interviews w/ Mayor Jones), Launched the 2021 Community Survey.

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## Priority Goals and Objectives for FY 2021-22 and beyond:

- Mobile Crisis Response Unit
  - Helping Out People Everywhere (HOPE)
  - Partnership w/ Be Well OC
  - Provides comprehensive Street Outreach to all of GG
  - Decrease impact on PD/Fire
  - Specialized, appropriate crisis care
- Production of affordable/supportive housing
  - Actively pursuing new construction & acquisition/rehabilitation projects
- Administration of 117 Emergency Housing Voucher's (EHV) and 22 Mainstream Voucher's (MV)
  - Equally effective as, and a viable alternative to building PSH
- Funding of Shelter (Navigation) Beds
  - Equally effective as, and a viable alternative to building a shelter
- Ongoing funding and administration of Public Programs:
  - Home Repair Program, JOBS 1<sup>st</sup>, Workforce Activation and Readiness Program, Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rental Transition, Meals On Wheels, First Time Home Buyer, Rapid Rehousing, Homelessness Prevention, Emergency Shelter, Street Outreach...

## Questions & Answers:

1. Why do people become homeless?
2. How can we (residents, businesses, churches) help partner with what the City is doing to end homelessness?
3. Can the police move homeless individuals away from traffic flow areas (medians, freeway off ramps) in interest of public safety? What about public places like parks, or private property like a business?
4. What can be done about the homeless who don't want help? Can we force them to take help?
5. Are there any example cities that are doing a great job dealing with homelessness? If yes, why don't we check out what they are doing right?
6. How can we increase housing development in this City? How soon will substantial amounts of permanent supportive housing units become available?
7. Is the number of homeless in Garden Grove increasing?
8. Will Garden Grove's leaders commit to taking the lead on helping the homeless?
9. What can be done to provide more intense street outreach?
10. What are we doing to help the homeless improve as individuals and help them have the desire to improve?
11. Can an abandoned or unused property be set aside as shelter for the homeless?
12. SRT has made contact with 1,211 homeless residents yet only made 226 referrals to emergency shelter. Please expand on what those numbers mean and possible ways of improvement. Also, are there any other accomplishments SRT has?
13. Of the people who have received assistance, what percentage have relapsed into homelessness?

**Assistant City  
Manager**

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**Community &  
Economic  
Development  
Director**

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**Lisa Kim**



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**THANK YOU ALL FOR ATTENDING THE FIRST MEETING OF THE  
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**NEXT GGCEH MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 2021**

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